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In re Application of:  
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RESPONSE

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of April 8, 2002, Applicants request reconsideration of the application.

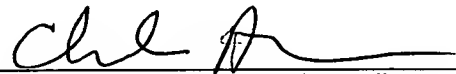
The office action indicated that the communication filed on February 6 was not fully responsive and requested the sequence listing. It should be noted that with the office action of November 6, 2001, there was no request for a sequence listing. That is why the same was not provided. Moreover, a sequence listing and the diskette were filed on May 3, 2001 as can be seen from the copy of the return receipt card submitted herewith. Therefore, it is deemed that the response was complete and withdrawal of this request is requested. A copy of the notice is

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submitted herewith and it is requested that the application be processed accordingly. If this response is not deemed to be responsive, the Patent Office is requested to clarify what their position is.

Respectfully submitted,  
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